



## LAND FRAUDS ALLEGED

WHAT LOOKS LIKE EXPOSE OF  
SCANDALS IN NEVADA OPENS  
IN COURT HERE TODAY

What looks like the opening of an expose of scandals in the location and patenting of public lands in Nevada, scandal which has enveloped every state west of the Missouri river except Nevada, was started today in the federal court when the case of Ingalls vs the Southern Pacific corporation was opened before the commissioner.

For years this state has felt the pressure of inadequate freedom in locating and patenting land, especially along the line of the railroad, the railroad claims and has a grasp of every alternative section on each side of the center of the track twenty miles, a strip of land directly through the state forty miles wide. This land was granted the old Central Pacific railroad by the government to aid in the construction of that railroad and the railroad has, under these grants prevented the development of much in fact all but a small acreage of this vast tract.

It has been the practice of the road and the men connected with the road to await the discovery of value in the lands by other persons, allow them to do some preliminary work and then assert railroad ownership.

Fraud in patenting other lands is freely charged and it is entirely possible that a thorough investigation will show that Nevada too has been robbed as well as has the United States.

The Appeal expresses the hope that this matter will be sifted to the bottom, to the end that the State of Nevada shall know if fraud has been committed, and that the government shall know that if lands in this state have been fraudulently patented as they were in every state around Nevada. The U. S. district attorney can do much and it is in his province to do so. By calling upon the government with sufficient data to lay the foundation for such an investigation, the government will as it has in other states, send expert investigators and sift the matter to the bottom. We hope this will be done.

That the fight of the Southern Pacific to retain its lands in the Olinghouse mining district is being made by the local officials of the railroad is the charge of Attorney E. C. O'Brien who, with Judge Downer, is representing J. Aaron Ingalls in his suit. O'Brien avers the former land agent of the railroad is "in on the deal," and that the men possibly propose the land themselves from the Pacific and later develop its mineral resources.

The suit of Ingalls against the Southern Pacific was opened today in the federal court. Judge Downer and Attorney O'Brien for Ingalls. It is said that sensational testimony will develop when the trial is being heard. If the defendants win the richest explored mineral lands in the central part of Nevada will be developed by the claimants; if the railroad wins the only recourse the Ingalls people have is to win by the government action.

The dispute in court may involve the names of many of the men highly connected with the railroad. The railroad was given each alternative section in its route across Nevada. The defendants in the suit say the land was acquired by fraud, for it is, they allege, mineral land.

The action of Ingalls and the separate action of the government will result in a lengthy investigation. The decision will affect many localities on the Southern Pacific right of way.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cowing were departures for Reno last evening. Mr. Cowing goes on business connected with the opening of the branch of

the Nye & Ormsby County Bank in that city.

Mrs. Lee Bright is recovering from a severe attack of the measles.

## WILL KEEP KANSAS MINE OPEN ALL WINTER

I. L. Clarke, a well known mining and real estate man, of Los Angeles, accompanied by his expert, Mr. Wallington, went this morning with Raymond Crowell to inspect the Kansas mine, near Topaz, and from that place will go to Walker river to investigate the situation there.

It is the intention of Mr. Clarke and his associates to keep the Kansas mine open all winter if possible and make extensive developments in it. A body of good ore has been struck in the mine and the owners propose to work it for all it is worth.

In addition to the smelter, a 50 stamp mill is to be built at Wadsworth.

It is reported the S. P. will build car shops at Sparks in which to construct refrigerator cars for the use of the company.

## SEVEN TIMES ONE THAT DAY

Saturday afternoon in response to a polite invitation, thirty little friends of Dorothy Mackey assembled at her home to assist her in celebrating her seventh birthday; and what a merry time they did have! They had been informed in the card of invitation that Santa Claus intended stopping there that afternoon and that, in all probability, he would leave a gift of each guest. Of course, expectation was on tip-toe and the bright eyes of the little folks were ever on the alert to discover his approach.

The early part of the afternoon was spent in games and sport and the little guests had begun to think that the proposed visit of St. Nicholas was a hoax when they were invited by their little hostess to adjourn to the dining room. Here a genuine surprise awaited them. A long table laden with all the good things that delight children was spread, in the center of which stood a miniature Christmas tree with its branches bending down with gifts and decorated alluringly. Santa Claus himself, in the person of Maurice Edwards, better known as "Buz," took the gifts from the tree and gave them to his assistants Marguerite Rayercraft, Elinor Yerington, Gladys Hofer and Adele Norcross, to distribute.

A merry time followed the distribution of the favors and the dispatching of the "goodies," but the crowning feature of the afternoon was the advent of Governor Sparks, who had been especially invited by Miss Dorothy as the guest of honor. The governor is practically fond of children and he entered heartily into their pleasures and pastimes.

Truly, the event will ever linger, not only in the memory of the little hostess, but in the minds of her small guests as well.

## BEAUTIFUL SOLO WELL SUNG

Those who attended the Presbyterian church last evening were edified by a most excellent sermon from the pastor, the Rev. H. H. McCreery, which was followed by a solo by Mr. Henry Howard. Mr. Howard's sympathetic voice was admirably shown in the music of "Absent" to which, had been set the words of that beautiful and comforting hymn, "Abide With Me" and the song made a fitting close to a profitable hour of worship.

## THERE WERE OTHERS.

The tales of discomfort from Nevada remind one that even the Argonauts of old got cold feet before they finished their famous journey.—Salt Lake Herald.

George Blakeslee engaged in a friendly wrestling match one day last week in Tonopah and the result is a broken leg.

## POSTAL TELE. IS COMING

WILL BUILD FROM SOUTH AND  
EXTEND THROUGH CARSON  
CITY TO SACRAMENTO.

In its attempt to get into Nevada the Postal Telegraph Company has at last found a way to outwit the Western Union, and give the state relief from the poor service which has characterized the monopoly here. Blocked in its amalgamation with the Bell Telephone Company by the threats of the Western Union to kill business in California, the Mackey people have circumvented the obstructions, and they will build independently.

The authentic news on this matter comes from San Francisco. To that city General Manager and Vice-President William H. Baker of the Postal has gone in the interest of his corporation with Third Vice President Nally. The plan these two announce to cross from Salt Lake to Sacramento touching the mining camps and Reno is to follow the Salt Lake, San Pedro & Los Angeles road to Beatty; to come straight to Carson City and Reno through Southwestern Nevada.

It is known that Gould of the Western Pacific owns the controlling interest in the Western Union. The hopes that were expressed that the Postal would leave Salt Lake for Reno paralleling the Gould line was lost when the report came that the Western Union had begun the fight against Mackey's interests.

SAN FRANCISCO.—W. H. Baker, general manager and first vice-president of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, and E. J. Nally, third vice-president, who are in this city, are considering a plan to extend the company's lines into the Nevada mining region.

The plan is to extend wires from Salt Lake City by way of the Clark road to Beatty and in turn "string" the towns of the mining section to Hawthorne, Carson City, Reno, and where connection will be made with the company's main line to San Francisco.

## WILL PRESENT SHAKESPEAREAN PLAY

Miss Constance Crawley, the celebrated English actress, who is now acclaimed as the greatest classic actress of the present day, is coming to the Caron opera house.

She will present that most amusing of Shakespeare's comedies "The Taming of the Shrew." It is only recently that she produced this play in Eureka and so instantaneous was its success that requests came in at once from all parts, Oakland, Stockton, Sacramento etc. Miss Crawley played to a packed house in Eureka, and the audience went wild with delight giving call after call at the end of each act. The papers next morning were loud in their praise and the times said "The play never lagged for a moment, and the audience only recovered from one roar of laughter to be plunged into another."

Miss Crawley has given much study to the character of Katherine, the headstrong wife, and it is one of her finest roles. She found that Katherine was supposed to be fond of monkeys, so Miss Crawley is true to life, and brings in a pet monkey in the first act.

Her leading man, Arthur Mande, plays Petruchio, and he has won much praise for his impersonation. All who love a hearty laugh should go to the opera house Dec. 31st, besides which they should not miss the opportunity of seeing one of England's greatest actresses.

## A GENEROUS GIFT FROM A NEVADA PRISONER

E. S. Kendrick has been an inmate of the Nevada state prison for seventeen years and is serving a life sentence in that institution, but he is a man of wonderful goodness of heart and the boys all look up to him as their counselor and guide, knowing that his long trial of self denial and repression have made him a wiser and better man. For several years he has taken an active interest in the church services that have been held by the various denominations at the prison and has contributed largely to their support; but the crowning feature of his thoughtfulness and benevolence came Saturday in the form of a check sufficiently large to pay for organ recently purchased for the Presbyterian Sunday school in this city.

The gift is certainly appreciated by the organist and members of the schools and they wish thus publicly to tender their thanks and appreciation to Mr. Kendrick for his generous gift as well as the thoughtfulness that prompted it.

## BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Shoppers are profiting by the experience of past years and are doing their holiday shopping now. The stores are crowded early and late and the merchants are not complaining of a lack of patronage.

The Montezuma club of Goldfield is to have a new home and a handsome three-story structure will be erected on the corner of Crook and Columbia avenue.

Mrs. Casey McDannell of Goldfield visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. A. Moore, in San Jose.

Leslie Smail, a Carson City young man, is now local editor of the Goldfield Chronicle.

The Goldfield Review respectfully declined the invitation to attend the hanging of Johnny and Hapah, but its editor does not state whether the declination was made because he could not get here or because he did not want to come.

The Midway mining company of Tonopah has declared a dividend of five cents per share, payable January 1st, 1907. The stock transfer books will be closed Dec. 20.

From fifty to a hundred people are drifting into Ely daily.

After March 1st, you can write upon both sides of a postal card.

Constance Crawley will appear in Tonopah.

If someone does not muzzle that kid on the Silver State he will give away all the secrets of the newspaper profession.

The Douglas county high school goes to Genoa by a two thirds vote of the board of three commissioners.

Wood dealers who bought stumps on what was supposed to be railroad land in the Tahoe forest reserve have been stopped from cutting trees. Good work.

A court in New York has decided that 300 women in that city support their hose with an illegal garter and declares they are liable to arrest if caught with the goods on. Case was an infringement of a patent, O. mercy.

Gans and Herman have become enmeshed in the pre-fight quarrel over a referee. Jeffries may be asked to do the job.

A mob wanted to hang a Hun in Pittsburg for cutting off a girl's hair with a razor.

The Gridiron Club, in Washington, composed exclusively of newspaper men, gave its annual dinner Saturday night. The president and many other high officials were present and each was roasted to a fine nut brown.

## TRANSFER OF PROPERTY.

H. B. Van Eiten has purchased the Geo. T. Davis property adjoining the Meyers Mercantile Company in the southern part of the city. Mr. Van Eiten intends making numerous improvements to the property.

## HOW BAY CITY PROGRESSES

BUILDING PERMITS FOR THE  
WEEK AGGREGATE \$1,346,625—  
JIG BLOCKS PLANNED.

Applications for permits to erect new buildings were filed during the week ending Wednesday evening, December 15th, aggregating the sum of \$1,346,625.

S. L. Goldstein applied for a permit to erect a seven-story and basement brick building on the north side of Farrell street, between Mason and Taylor streets to cost \$122,000.

Louis Metzger asked for a permit to build a store and office building on the northwest corner of Larkin and Sutter streets which will cost \$30,000 when completed.

G. G. Burnett will put up a \$55,000 structure on Haight street, near Laguna, and Stanley Forbes a building to cost \$45,000 on Clay street, near Davis.

Alfred K. Durbrow began work last week upon a six-story building, on the northwest corner of commercial and Front streets, to cost \$80,000. Work has been commenced on a store and office building on the site once occupied by the Nevada Bank, on the northwest corner of Montgomery and Pine streets.

New Techau Tavern.  
The Younger estate will erect a building on the site of the old Columbia theater, on Powell street, near Eddy. The building has already been leased to the Techau Tavern Company for twenty years at an aggregate rental of \$25,000 for the term.

A Chinese firm has leased a lot belonging to F. E. Hesthal, on the northwest corner of Dupont and Stockton streets, for thirty years at a ground rental of \$102,000 and will erect a three-story brick building.

Nelson and Page filed a petition for a permit to reconstruct the Spring Valley Water Company's building at the southeast corner of Geary and Stockton streets at an estimated cost of \$250,000.

The Bank of Italy applied for a permit to erect an eight-story Class A building on the southeast corner of Clay and Montgomery streets at a cost of \$140,000, under plans prepared by Architect Frank T. Shea.

New History Building.  
During the week contracts for \$100,000 were let by H. H. Bancroft for the new History Building to be erected on the old site on Market street, near Third street.

The George Brown Estate Company will erect a four-story building on the southwest corner of Larkin street and Walnut avenue to cost \$59,500, and C. Schilling proposes to put up a building on Minnesota street, near Twentieth to cost \$44,000.

James Denman will erect a building of brick on Main street, near Mission, which will cost \$127,500.

Sutter Street Hotels.  
The rehabilitation of Sutter street, from Larkin street east, is progressing rapidly and it is said that it will be one of the greatest hotel streets on this side of the continent. Hotels are to be erected on the northwest corner of Leavenworth and Sutter streets and on the lot where General Barnes' residence formerly stood, near Taylor, on a lot directly opposite the old University Club, and also on the site of the old Golden Gate Commandery building.

Mrs. Merritt is going to put an office building on Sutter street, near Mason, and Mrs. Nellie Moulton will build immediately an eight-story reinforced concrete building on the northwest corner of Geary and Williams street at a cost of \$100,000.

Meyer and Digman will build a \$61,000 building on Jackson street, near Larkin, and the Van Vrooman Estate two buildings on Jackson street, near Dupont, at a combined cost of \$65,000.

On Sutter Street.  
On the northwest corner of Sutter

and Stockton streets there is to be erected an office building, and on Stockton street, on the site occupied by the club which Chris Buckley started, is to be a big rooming-house. On the southeast corner of Sutter and Stockton streets an office building is to be constructed. On Sutter between Stockton street and Grant avenue, the old Nathaniel Gray property, excavation has commenced for the construction of a permanent building. On the northeast corner of Sutter and Grant avenue, where the Snake Drug Store was, there is to be a big building, and the lot where Goldberg, Bowen & Co. were is to be built upon.

A sale of importance was made in the burned district during the week by Harrigan, Weidemuller & Rosenshtein. They sold the property at the southwest corner of Turk and Hyde streets, having a frontage of 62.6 by 87.6, to a client of Bovee, Toy & Co. It is the intention of the new owner to put up an apartment house. The price paid for the property was \$40,000.

It is reported that the Native Sons have about concluded the negotiations for the sale of their lot on Mason street, and desire property on Van Ness, or close to Van Ness. The mortgage on their lot is small, and the Native Sons will spend a large sum on the new building.

Richmond and Mission.

The Mission and Richmond districts continue to attract people who are Bay City No. 2. The districts are desirous of building small houses. Richmond takes the lead, and it is reported that in the Spreckels' division, in blocks 303 and 304, forty lots out of sixty-four were sold inside of two weeks.

Tait inclines J. D. Spreckels, Jr., to open up another tract. Lots have also sold rapidly in the Glen Park tract, and twenty-eight lots were sold on time by the Hibernia Bank on its property near Noe and Twenty-ninth streets.

In the Portrero.

A big movement is reported in the Portrero, especially about Utah and Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets and prices are advancing rapidly. A large number of Italians are buying at Bay View, South San Francisco, and are going largely into market gardening.

Miscellaneous Sales and Leases.

Among other building permits applied for were the following:

W. Wilson, southeast corner of Devisadero and McAllister streets, \$25,000.

Pauline Tarpey, west side of Spear street, near Market, \$25,000.

Henry Peters, Cole streets near Carl, \$2,500.

French Roman Catholic Church, northwest corner of Bush street and Chatham place, \$12,000.

G. T. Terhush, south side of Bush street, west of Grant avenue, \$19,000.

F. S. Kelly, northwest corner of Larkin and Post streets, \$27,000.

S. Wood, southeast corner of McFarland and Kearney streets, \$15,000.

Henry Meyer, northwest corner of Fillmore and Fell streets, \$24,000.

Fourth Street Company, northwest corner of Fourth and Howard streets, \$24,500.

McNab & Smith, north side of Brannan street, between Seventh and Eighth, \$40,000.

The Apache Company, southeast corner of O'Farrell and Mason streets, \$32,000.

Woodruff Company, southeast corner of Geary and Powell streets, \$35,950.

## HIGH GRADE FOR CARSON. ASSAYS "UNIQUE."

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For full particulars, etc., see G. T. Conner and G. E. Bendinger, with Lewis & Co., offices over Nye and Ormsby County Bank, Carson. d41w